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Letters to The Editor

Editor
The Times Virginian
Appomattox, Va.

Sir:

I have never seen panic exhibited by certain persons in the news media as that which has resulted from the release of transcripts by the White House. These people who had already made the noose and chosen the tree on which the President was to be hanged were so set back by certain disclosures they are now grasping at every straw to rescue themselves from the tide of public opinion which is about to engulf them. It was their fond hope that a proper interpretation of these transcripts would never be made to the public in general.

We may thank certain segments of the news media that these transcripts are being made available to the public so that they can be properly evaluated. It was the hope of certain villianous penman that these people could not understand the real significance of them. They were grossly underestimating the majority of our citizens.

Let us look at some points regarding the transcripts. To begin with John Dean is shown to be an invetenate liar in order to save himself. I followed the Watergate hearings in practically their entirety and it was my conclusion that he was distorting facts and withholding pentinent information. This has been borne out not only by the transcripts but by the verdict of a New York jury which discounted his testimony, yet those out to get the President make little reference to this phase of the inquiry.

I have never been an ardent admirer of Richard Nixon but he is certainly entitled to fair treatment. He is no saint but surely not the villian some picture him to be. He has been convicted before being tried such as by Sam Ervin before the Watergate committee.

The verdict is really in the hands of the majority of the American people. It is the duty of everyone who supported the President in the election to take another look at the situation. The same persons who opposed him then and now include those who attampt to inject in our sociry those facts of abnormal behavior so destructive to our way of life.

I was highly disappointed in one commentator last night when he stated in effect the American people were not capable to pass judgement in the matter but that it was up to the House Judiciary committee to do so in its entirety. This is in direct comflict with the views of Thomas Jefferson who placed complete reliance upon an informed electorate.

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Screening Program May 17

The District III Virginia Nurses Association, CIBA Pharmaceutical Co. and Piedmont Heart Association, with the approval of the Lynchburg Academy of Medicine, will conduct a high blood pressure screening program Friday, May 17 from 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be four locations: Fidelity National Bank on Main Street, Adams Motor Company on Fifth Street, K Mart and Pittman Plaza.

Assisting with the screening program will be registered nurses for taking blood pressure and counseling, and volunteers for taking information. They plan to screen 6,000 people from Lynchburg and the surrounding counties.

High blood pressure can be easily detected. It is simple, painless, quick and does not require the person to undress.

Those persons found with elevated blood pressure readings during the screening session will be referred to their physician for medical follow up.

High blood pressure probably affects one in every six adults in Virginia. Nationally there may be more than 23 million cases of hypertension, a disease that can lead to major health complications - such as heart attack, stroke and kidney problems - unless properly treated.

The Pastor Speaks

GOD KNOWS

A son of a very successful but little known minister was asked at his father's retirement dinner to say something about life with him. He made this wonderful statement, I am told "I am the most fortunate man - I was born the son of a millionaire who didn't have a nickle." Knowing his father I know that his wealth was greater in friends than it was in money. He served one church or group of churches in the mountains of Virginia and West Virginia all his life. Going to them straight from seminary and never moving. Little recognized or little known to man but known to God.

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches and loving favor rather than silver and gold." Prov. 22:1

Rev. Cecil V. Dalton
Appomattox C. H.
Presbyterian Church,
Appomattox, Va.

First Baptist

Mother's Day service were held at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. Rev. Davis preached a wonderful service which was enjoyed by all. At the close of the morning worship the Lord's Supper was served. We were happy to have **all our visitors to worship with** us and we invite you to come again.

The Spiritual Knights of Madison Heights, Va. rendered services Sunday night at 7 p.m. The program was sponsored by Rev. Davis for the benefit of the Building Fund. Everyone enjoyed the singing.

On May 19, 1974, at 3 p.m. the Rev. Freeman V. Johnson of Lynchburg will be the guest speaker for Deacon and Deaconess Day. The Voice of Hope of Hampden-Sydney will render the song service.

Mrs. June Coleman will sponsor a Candlelight Service the 4th Sunday, May 23, 1974, at 3 p.m.

There will be a call meeting May 23rd, at 7 p.m. All members are asked to please be present. We hope the sick and shut-in are feeling better at this writing.

The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, May 19, 1974.

Topic: **Bold Witness Provokes Controversy**

Scripture: Acts 21-22

I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. Acts 21:13b.

Two circumstances explain the bitter hatred the Jews who did not become Christians had for the apostle Paul. First, he had been one of them, one of their brightest lights, and he left them to become a Christian. Secondly, when he had become a Christian, he strenuously opposed requiring a Gentile convert to become first a Jewish prosplyte, thereby creating the impression that he no longer thought it necessary to observe Jewish practices and customs.

The former circumstance was particularly galling to Jews loyal to their traditional faith. Paul had been one of their leaders, not only an able theologian in debate against the Christians, but also an activist ever ready to root out the new doctrine by imprisoning, even killing, the believers. For him to change so radically produced among his onetime associates the most intense hostility.

Such an attitude is not surprising. Even today, people who have been leaders in a group and leave it to join another, particularly a rival, group become objects of hatred to their former associates. Such a change on the part of those who have been relatively indifferent or inactive is not resented nearly so much as it is in those who have been active.

Paul's opposition to requiring Gentile converts to Christianity to become Jewish proselytes provoked a counter-opposition among Jews who had become Christians. Beginning with the sound promise that Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of Jewish law and prophecy, these Jewish Christians, strict in their conformity to their ancestral customs, reached the mistaken conclusion that Christianity was a sect within Judaism. The influence of the Jewish leadership in the Church at Jerusalem, in the decision not to require Gentile converts to the circumcised, restrained the opposition within the Church, but it appeared to continue latent. Jews outside the Church interpreted Paul's stand as rejecting the observance of the traditional practices among the Jews themselves. This misinterpretation of Paul's views explains the charge against him that "you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise children or observe the customs.

Because this accusation was false, Paul was willing to take conciliatory steps to prove it untrue. At the same time, he was so faithful to his own mission as a Christian preacher that he felt constrained to tell his own people why and how the change in his life took place. Closed minds and spiritually blind eyes prevented him from doing so fully. Paul risked his life, despite the presence of Roman soldiers as he spoke from the steps to the military barracks in Jerusalem, by his testimony to his faith, so fierce was the position of the Jews to him.

What does an opponent do with a person who would not hesitate to give his life for the cause he espouses? Usually the opponent is so vehement in his opposition that he pursues the person to punishment or death, not realizing that in doing so he is giving the witness an exceptional opportunity to be effective. Paul has declared his willingness to be imprisoned, even to die, to his fellow believers in Caesarea, who feared what would happen to him in Jerusalem and tried to dissuade him from going. In Jerusalem he demonstrated that he had not been speaking boastful and idle words, but that he was sincere.

The worst that man can do to man is to kill him. But killing the man does not kill his idea or his ideals. As so many of his fellow Christians, Paul was not afraid of death. They knew that death is not the worst thing than can happen to an individual. Rather for them, death would enable them to be with their Lord, and they welcomed it. In their loyalty to death, they became convincing witnesses. "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church" summarized the effectiveness of their enduring testimony.

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TO SPONSOR BAKE SALE MAY 18th

The Golden Hearts Club of Appomattox will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, May 18th, beginning at 11 a.m. The bake sale will be held at the home of Mrs. A. S. ... located at the intersection of Route 460 and #131.

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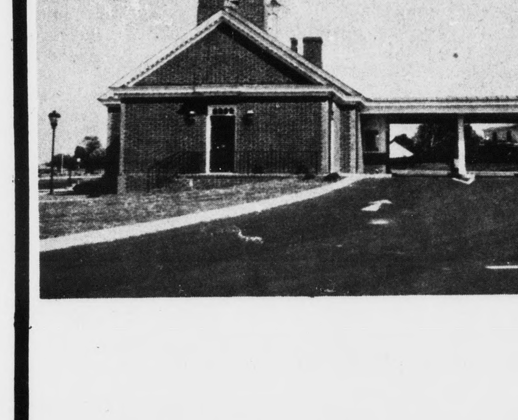

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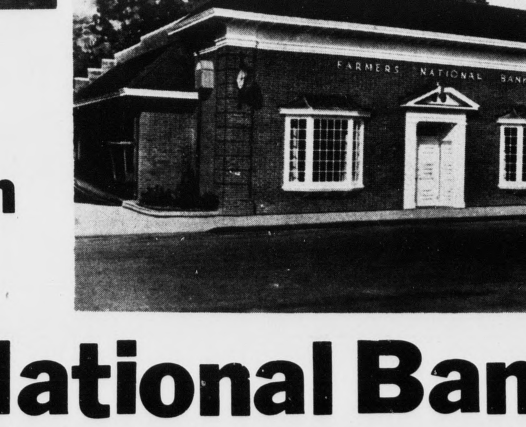

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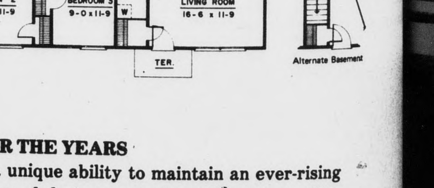

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Modernistic Club News

...though the weather ...ement Sunday, May ...974, at the 10 o'clock ...an appreciative number ...attendance at Galilee ...Sunday School. The ...were at their post on ...with a well prepared ...discussion. Theme - ...el Confronts Culture. ...18-20, 23-29. Memory ...- Acts 20:24.

...lesson was filled with ...information for all ...present. The offering ...morning was good as ...

...number of Galilee members ...worshipped at the ...service at First ...Church Sunday. Those ...attended enjoyed the ...very much. Theme for ...ing, "Mothers Standing," Scripture: John 19:25. ...lovely message was ...by the pastor, K. W. ..."Mothers Standing ..." The service was very ...ve, from beginning ...the end.

...ponse to mothers, was ...by Mrs. June Coleman in ...special manner. The ...was very much ...by all present. The ...was liberal.

...was rendered by both ...and Senior Choirs, ...the direction of Mrs. G. .... The music was ...as well as beautiful. ...present enjoyed the ...hers' Day Service at First ...Church very much, ...May 12th, at 11 a.m.

...Spiritual Knights of ...Heights, Va. rendered ...ful musical program ...May 12, at the 7 p.m. ...First Baptist Church.

...Director of Youth, Mrs. ...Coleman, will sponsor a ...dlelight Service, the 4th ...day, May 26th, at 3 p.m. ...public is invited to attend.

...Rev. K. W. Davis is the ...elected pastor of the ...Grove Baptist ...ch. The regular preaching ...is held each 3rd Sunday ...month at 11:30 a.m. You ...welcome to come and ...ship with the Rev. Davis ...his good people of Chestnut ...

...men of Galilee Baptist ...celebrate their annual ...aid Men's Club Sunday, ...19th, at 3 p.m. You are ...ed to come and share on ...program with the club.

...Sunday, May 19th, marks the ...23rd program for the ...Galilee Baptist. The ...is invited to be present ...the program is rendered ...day, May 19th, at 3 p.m. ...is the last call before the ...program will be given Sunday, ...ing. We shall be looking to ...you in the audience.

...ittle Mr. Herbert Allen, Jr. ...ted his family, Mr. and Mrs. ...rbert Allen, Sr. and two ...Tony and Tiby, to a ...ther's Day dinner, Sunday, ...12th, at the "Dairy ...". The family gave an ...of a mighty fine time. ...family thanks little ...rbert for being so very ...ghtful of them.

...We do hope that the sick here ...elsewhere will soon be well ...happy again, if the Lord be ...ing.

In and Out of Town

...essres George and Howard ...evens left for Baltimore, ...dnesday week where Howard was placed in the hospital where he will undergo special treatment. The doctors are running test on him this week. We trust that he may soon be back home feeling good as new. We ask all of you to send up prayers for the sick every where.

Mrs. Virginia Ferguson and her daughter, Dianne, spent Mother's Day with Mrs. Ferguson's mother, Mrs. Maggie Tibbs. The Ferguson gave an account of a very nice week end. The week end guest reside in Maryland.

Mr. John Lewis Robinson, of Baltimore, Md. spent the Mother's Day period here in historic Appomattox with his mother, Mrs. Bessie Robinson. Mr. Robinson returned to his home in Maryland Monday morning after spending a very nice week end with his mother and other relatives.

Mrs. Virginia W. Goode journeyed to Petersburg, Va. Sunday, May 5th, where she received her Master's Degree in Science. We feel very proud of Mrs. Goode, who is now teaching in the Primary grades here in Appomattox. I take my hat off to Mrs. Goode, who received her high school training at Carver-Price High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ferguson, from Lynchburg, came down to Historic Appomattox Saturday afternoon and put up drapes for Mr. and Mrs. George Martin in their new home. Mr. and Mrs. George Martin will begin moving in the latter part of the week.

We wish to welcome the Martins to Historic Appomattox. We are certain that they will add a lot to our fair city.

See you next week!!!

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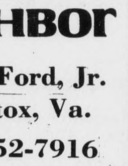

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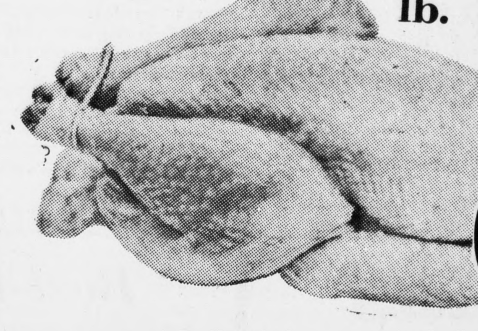

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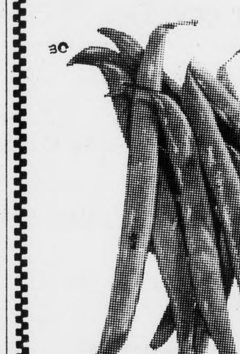

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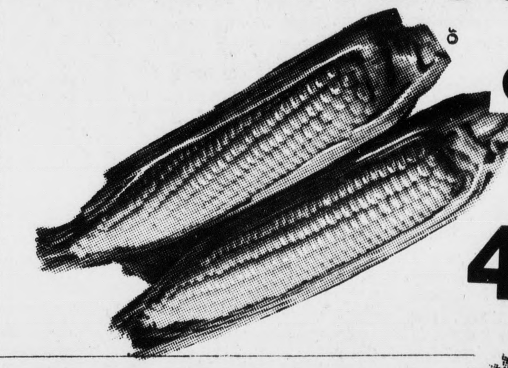

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